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1. IN AN INTERVIEW PUBLISHED IN THE PARIS ARABIC
LANGUAGE WEEKLY "AL MOSTAQBAL" JUNE 24, SYRIAN
PRESIDENT ASSAD ACCUSES THE U.S. OF BEING BEHIND
EVENTS IN LEBANON. "WHEN AFTER THE OCTOBER WAR
AMERICAN POLICY DID NOT SUCCEED IN BREAKING
SYRIAN-EGYPTIAN SOLIDARITY, IT TURNED TO LEBANON TO
PROVOKE CARNAGE THERE", AFP QUOTES HIM AS SAYING.
"AMERICAN WAS BEHIND EVENTS IN LEBANON IN ORDER TO
IMPLICATE THE ARABS, ALL THE ARABS, IN THE LEBANESE
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WAR. THUS I WAS NOT SURPRISED WHEN THE U.S. SENT
US FIVE WARNINGS DIRECTING US NOT TO INTERVENE TO
PUT AN END TO THE FIGHTING IN THAT COUNTRY. NOR WAS
I ASTONISHED WHEN THE SOVIET UNION SENT US THE SAME
WARNING. I AM NOT SAYING THAT THERE WAS
PREMEDITATED SOVIET-AMERICAN AGREEMENT. BUT WHEN THE
EVENTS BROKE OUT IN LEBANON, THERE WAS CONCORDANCE

BETWEEN AMERICAN AND SOVIET POLICIES."

2. NOTING THAT THE FIGHTING IN LEBANON WAS LIKE
THAT IN NO OTHER WAR IN HISTORY, ASSAD AFFIRMED
THAT IT WAS NECESSARY FOR THE FIGHTING TO END
"AT WHATEVER PRICE FOR LEBANON, FOR ITS CONTINUATION
WOULD HAVE RESULTED IN THE INVOLVEMENT OF ALL THE
ARABS IN THE WAR. THAT WAR WILL NEVER BE REPEATED."
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